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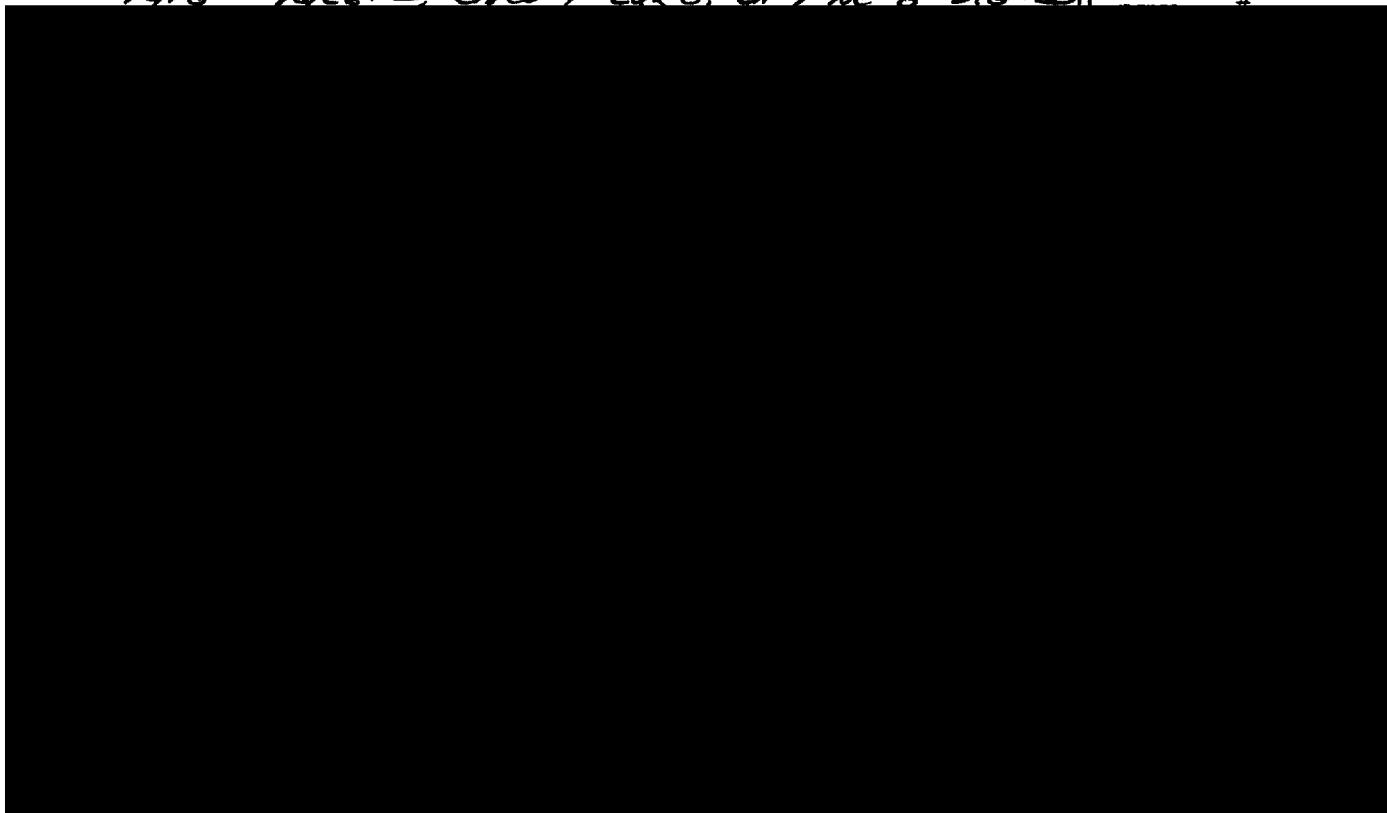
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1. ADDRESSEES AT THEIR DISCRETION MAY PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE 25X1C

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2. "AS I TERMINATE OUR OFFICIAL ASSOCIATION, PLS LET ME THANK YOU FOR THE GREAT SUPPORT AND COOPERATION YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES HAVE PROVIDED ME AND THE CIA OVER THESE YEARS. IT HAS BEEN YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND CONFIDENCE THAT HAS MANY TIMES SUSTAINED US HERE IN WASHINGTON THROUGH THE TUMULT AND TURMOIL OF THIS PAST YEAR. WE HAVE

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FOUGHT HARD TO PROTECT THE SECURITY OF OUR INTELLIGENCE RELATIONSHIPS AROUND THE WORLD, AND I BELIEVE WE HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN THIS. WE PROFESSIONALS KNOW THE IMPORTANCE OF INTELLIGENCE TO OUR NATIONS, AND DESPITE THE DIFFICULTIES OF THIS PAST PERIOD, I BELIEVE THE VAST MAJORITY OF AMERICANS HAVE COME TO SHARE OUR VIEWS OF ITS IMPORTANCE AND OF THE NEED TO BE RESPONSIBLE ABOUT IT. ON THE BASIS OF MY LONG DISCUSSIONS WITH GEORGE BUSH, I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT I HAVE NO HESITANCY IN PASSING ON THE LEADERSHIP OF THE AGENCY TO HIM AND THAT HE TRULY APPRECIATES THE IMPORTANCE OF CONTINUING OUR COOPERATION WITH YOU. THUS, WHILE I SAY THANK YOU FOR ALL THE HELP AND COOPERATION YOU HAVE GIVEN ME PERSONALLY, I CAN CONFIDENTLY WISH YOU THE BEST MUTUAL SUCCESS IN THE FUTURE. BILL COLBY."

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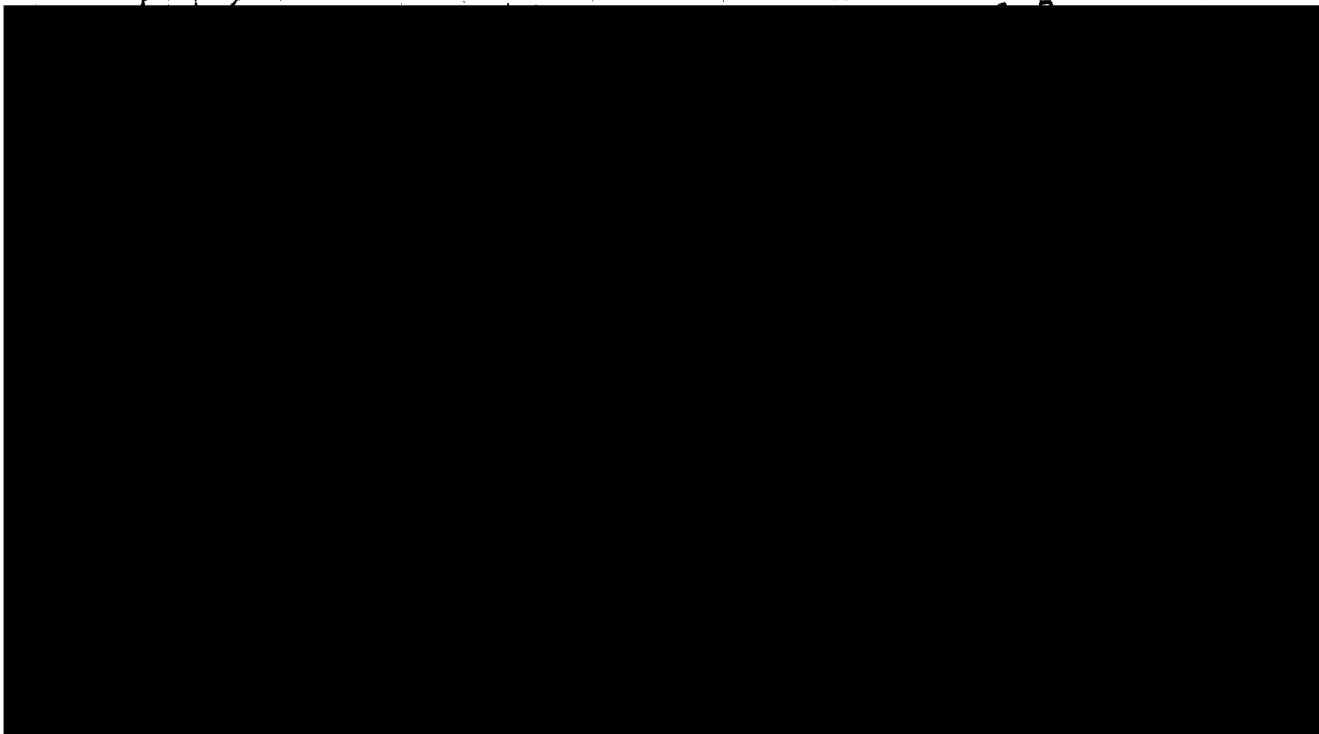
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FROM COLBY 4

AS I LEAVE THIS POST, I LOOK WITH APPRECIATION AND PRIDE TO YOU FINE PEOPLE IN THE FIELD. I AM AWARE OF YOUR GREAT TALENTS, BUT I CONFESS I HAVE BEEN SOMEWHAT SURPRISED AND HIGHLY PLEASED AT THE WAY YOU HAVE CONTINUED TO PRODUCE SOLID ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE REAL WORK OF THE AGENCY DESPITE THE TURMOIL AND CLAMOR WHICH HAS SURROUNDED IT AT HOME. I DO BELIEVE THAT A CORNER HAS BEEN TURNED HERE, HOWEVER, AND THAT RESPONSIBLE AMERICANS ARE ASSERTING THE NEED FOR A MORE

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SOBER AND SENSIBLE APPROACH TOWARD OUR INTELLIGENCE STRUCTURE. I
HOPE THAT MY DEPARTURE WILL ONE DAY MARK THE DATE ON WHICH
AMERICANS BEGAN TO LOOK FORWARD TO THE NEEDS FOR INTELLIGENCE AND
STOPPED LOOKING BACKWARD AT A DIFFERENT WORLD THAN WE HAVE TODAY.
I KNOW GEORGE BUSH WILL PROVIDE THE FINEST OF LEADERSHIP, AND I
KNOW YOU IN THE FIELD WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE HIM AND OUR COUNTRY
THE SAME DEDICATED AND EFFECTIVE PERFORMANCE THAT YOU HAVE FOR ME.
WITH BEST WISHES TO ALL OF YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES, BILL COLBY.

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